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Title : Method for Operating a Gas Generation Device in a Fuel  
Cell System

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**April 11, 2005**

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.